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## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449. Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in an Office Action Report from the Japanese Patent Office (copy and its English translation are enclosed) in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement and before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, no fee is required for filing this Information Disclosure Statement.

A concise explanation of relevance for each of the non-English language documents listed may be ascertained from their English-language materials. (There is no English translation of JP 62-176851, but the relevance thereof can be found on page 3 of English translations of JP Office Action). A copy of each listed document is attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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